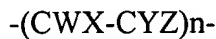


IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 7-10 as follows:

Claim 7. (New) An agent for preventing reconstriction of a blood vessel comprising a functionalized polymer, said functionalized polymer having a structure represented by the following formula (1):



wherein, W denotes a carbohydrate chain including a structure corresponding to at least a portion of the basic skeletal structure of a glycosaminoglycan and comprising 2-50 constituent disaccharide units having an average of at least one sulfate group, X, Y and Z denotes any substituent group including a hydrogen atom, and n denotes the number of repeating unit of at least 1.

Claim 8. (New) The agent of claim 7, characterized in that said carbohydrate chain is a decomposed carbohydrate chain obtained by chemical decomposition of a natural glycosaminoglycan, and said decomposed carbohydrate chain is bonded to the polymer main chain via a functional group formed by said chemical decomposition.

Claim 9. (New) The agent of claim 7, characterized in that said glycosaminoglycan is heparin/heparan sulfate, chondroitin sulfate, dermatan sulfate or a partially desulfated modification thereof.